MINUTES

OF THE

One Hundred Forty-First

Annual Session

OF THE

Original
Bear Creek
Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH

UNION GROVE CHURCH

UNION COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

September 14, 15, 16

1973

Next session convenes with Mountain Creek Church, located 6 miles northwest of Albemarle, N. C., in the Palistine Community.

OFFICERS

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LOCATION OF CHURCHES

BETHEL: 13 miles south of Shalotte, N.C., 2 miles off of Highway 17.

CORINTH: South Sims Street, Kings Mountain, N. C. 3 blocks off Highway 74.

CROOKED CREEK: Just off Highway 218, 4 miles east of Highway 601, approximately 10 miles north of Monroe, N. C.

HERRINS GROVE: 4 miles southeast of Mt. Pleasant, N. C. 2 miles south of Highway 73, on road 2610.

HIGH HILL: Just off Highway 601 north in the suburbs of Monroe, N. C., 1 mile north of Highway 74.

HIGH POINT: Rock Springs Road, 1½ blocks off Highway 70-A, High Point, N. C.

JERUSALEM: 12 miles north of Wadesboro, N. C., east of Highway 218, in the Olive Branch community.

LAWYER'S SPRING: Just south of Highway 74 at the underpass in Peachland, N. C.

LIBERTY HILL: 10 miles west of Albemarle, N. C. on Highway 27 near Red Cross.

MEADOW CREEK: On Meadow Creek Road, between Highway 27 west and 200 north near Locust, N. C.

MILL'S CHAPEL: On China Grove Road, just off Lane Street, between I-85 and Highway 601-29 in Kannapolis, N. C.

MOUNTAIN CREEK: 6 miles northwest of Albemarle, N. C. in the Palistine community.

NEW HOPE: 9 miles east of Columbia, S. C., just off Highway 262 on Leesburg Road.

OAK GROVE: 9 miles south of Wadesboro, N. C., just off Highway 742.

PARK VIEW: On Hugh Street, just off Sprague Street (Highway 150) near Highway 311 in Winston-Salem, N. C.

PLEASANT GROVE: 3½ miles north of Marshville, N. C. approximately 1 mile west of Highway 205 on road 1632.

PLEASANT HILL: Approximately 4 miles northwest of Seagrove, N. C., south of Asheboro, N. C.

UNION: McAdenville, N. C. Springwood section, 1 block off Mt. Holly-McAdenville Road, ½ mile north of I-85.

UNION GROVE: On Highway 200 north, approximately 3 miles from Highway 74 north of Monroe, N. C.

WATSON: Approximately 10 miles east-northeast of Monroe on road 1627 (New Salem Road) approximately 6 miles east of Highway 200 north.

Proceedings

Of The 141st Annual Session of the Original Bear Creek Primitive Baptist Association

The Association met with Union Grove Church, Union County, North Carolina, at 10:30 A.M. and engaged in song service, after which Elder George McNure from the Original Upper Canoochee Association of Georgia led in prayer and Elder C. M. Mills delivered the Introductory Sermon from the 14th Chapter of Romans.

After an hour for lunch and fellowship, the association opened with prayer by Elder A. E. Broadway and convened for business: Elder C. M. Mills, pastor of the hostess church served as Moderator, Brother Oren Baucom, Church Clerk served as Clerk, and called Brother Kenneth Austin, Assistant Clerk of Union Grove Church to assist him.

1—Extended invitation to all orderly Primitive Baptist who are in good standing with their home churches to seats with us.

2—Called for the letters of representation from sister churches of the association which were read by Elder Joe Helms and Elder D. B. Willard, and their status noted.

UNION GROVE: Represented by entire membership.

MOUNTAIN CREEK: Brethren Joe Robinson, Lane Vanhoy, Ernest Vanhoy, and Phylas Hinson.

LAWYER'S SPRING: Elder Joe Helms, Brethren Paul High, Truby High, and Baxter Arrington.

CROOKED CREEK: Brethren Lloyd Braswell, Brown Biggers, Bernard Simpson, and Buford Hinson.

HIGH POINT: Elder Roy Spier, Brethren Colon Auman, Raymond Clark, and Clyde Payne.

MEADOW CREEK: Brethren Hubert Almond, Ray Eudy, Verlon Corbitt, and William Allmon.

WATSON: Brethren Titus Tarlton, Bobby Helms, Douglas Williams, and Marvin Simpson.

PLEASANT HILL: Brethren Elzie Auman, Robert Copples, Reid Hunt, and Houston Cox.

HIGH HILL: Brethren Howard Edwards, Edward Pressley, Earl Crooke, and John Moore.

PARK VIEW: Brethren Richard McGee, Claude Parnell, Athel Smith, and Franklin Beeson.

LIBERTY HILL: Brethren Eldridge Furr, Hobart Medlin, Craven Furr, and Charlie Hatley.

PLEASANT GROVE: Brethren Melvin Mills, Harold Williams, Clayton Griffin, and James Mills.

BETHEL: Elder W.M. Benton, Brethren James McLamb, Leroy Mintz, and Mason Anderson.

CORINTH: Brethren Marvin Styers, Walter Peterson, Richard Styers, and Dick Styers.

HERRINS GROVE: Brethren J. L. Lewis, C. M. Herrin, J. C. Williams, and Jimmie Ray Herrin.

JERUSALEM: Brethren Fred Baucom, Floyd Thomas, Bennie Thomas, and Sister Ruby Hatley.

MILLS CHAPEL: Brethren J. M. McClendon, Wayne Efird, Roy Hardy, and Jeff Hardy.

NEW HOPE: Brethren C. R. Smith, W. W. Davis, and Frankie DuBoise.

OAK GROVE: By Letter

UNION: Brethren T. B. Polk, V. H. Soloman, Floyd Hawks, and Lee Robinson.

3—Called for petitionary letters: None presented

4—The moderator was authorized to appoint committees on preaching and finance. Appointed the following;

Preaching Committee: Elder Newell Helms, Brethren Sanford Medlin, Lane Vanhoy, Thomas Broadway, and C. C. Willard

Finance Committee: Elder Joe Helms, Brethren Carl Haigler, Rankin Richardson, Howard Edwards, Howard Collins, and Athel Smith

5—Called for Presbytery report: In compliance with a request from Crooked Creek Church for ordained help to assist in the ordination of Brother Bernard Simpson to the office of deacon, the following formed a presbytery Satday evening, January 27, 1973. Elders A. E. Broadway, C. M. Mills, D. B. Willard, F. W. Stack Jr., and Clarence Davis. Deacons Thomas Broadway, Brown Biggers, Buford Hinson, Fred Baucom, Floyd Thomas, Lloyd Outen, Leonard Baucom, Oren Baucom, Carl Haigler, Charlie Vanhoy, Joe Robinson, Lonnie Eury, Truby High, Orlin Stewart, Wilson Greene, Gradon Helms, Bill Almon, Fred Eudy, Ray Eudy, Howard Collins, Wilburn Mullis, David Helms, Larry Austin, Howard Edwards, Earl Pressley, Johnnie Edwards, Athel Smith, Claude Parnell, Hobart Medlin, Bill Curlee, Melvin Mills, Richard Styers, Burin Williams, Roy Hardee, and Brady Polk.

6—Invited visitors from corresponding associations to seats with us and welcomed the following:

ORIGINAL LITTLE RIVER OF NORTH CAROLINA: Elders Ronnie Lawrence, J. S. Stephenson, Worth Stephenson & wife. Brethren Stokes Lawrence, Seba Clifton, Cecil Martin, Ronald Martin. Sisters Stokes Lawrence, Seba Clifton, Joanne Martin, and others whose names were not obtained.

ORIGINAL TOWALIGA: No visitors to our knowledge.

LITTLE RIVER OF GEORGIA: Brother Leon Kelly

FRIENDSHIP OF GEORGIA: Brother and Sister Brooks Deal, Clark and Durand Deal

TENNESSEE-NOLACHUCKY: Brother and Sister W. B. Ogle

POWELLS VALLEY: No visitors to our knowledge

MT. ZION OF ALABAMA: Elder Guy Hunt, Brethren Johnnie Bowlin, Pat Chambers, Revis Brothers, Raymond Brothers, Sisters Wanda Brothers, Maude Brothers, and Johnnie Bowlin

SOUTH ARKANSAS: No visitors to our knowledge

7—Invited visitors from associations and churches with whom we do not carry formal correspondence to seats with us and welcomed the following:

KETOCTON ASSOCIATION: Elder J. E. Alderton and wife, Elder James Compton and wife, Brother Dulaney Hall and wife, Brother W. C. Madden, and Sister Diane Stroheckker.

MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION: Elder Walter Evans, Brother J. Mack Osborne and wife, Brother M. A. Jenkins and wife

ORIGINAL UPPER CANOOCHEE ASSOCIATION: Elder Samuel Bryant and wife, Brother W. A. Coggins and wife, Elder George McNure, and Brother Tommy Roundtree

LOWER WETUMPKA ASSOCIATION: Elder A. L. Beckett, Brother Jesse Connell

MISSISSIPPI RIVER ASSOCIATION: Elder Wiley Sammons and wife

SEQUATCHEE-BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION: Elder T. C. Mooney and wife, Elder Lloyd Parker, and Brother J. B. Parker and wife.

SILVER CREEK ASSOCIATION: Elders O. J. Huffman and Gene Watson, Brother Johnnie Freeman and wife

ANTIOCH ASSOCIATION: Sister Irene Hopper

ORIGINAL MAYO ASSOCIATION: Brother H. C. Brumfield and wife, Brother Frank Keatts, Sister Mary E. Keatts

MARTINSVILLE CHURCH: Elder L. J. Corns, Brother J. E. Devins and wife, Sister Vera Ashley, Brother Noel Wilson and wife

PINE CHURCH: Brother J. W. Williams and wife, Brother Kemp Walker and wife, and others.

OLD MILL CHURCH: Elders W. H. Lewis and Danny Parker. Sisters Lucy Lanksly, Margaret Jenkins, and Etta Jenkins

BLUE RIDGE CHURCH: Elder A. J. Hylton

ZIONS REST CHURCH: Brother Bailey Dyal and wife

NO CREEK CHURCH: Brother L. H. Snider and wife, and Sister Ila McBride

WHITE OAK SPRINGS CHURCH: Brother Fred Stevens and wife

BETHEL-CLOVER CHURCH: Brother Urban Grover and wife

AFTON ROAD CHURCH: Elder Danny Parker, Sister Janet Kidd, Cindy Kidd, Brother John Lawrence and wife

NORTH VIEW CHURCH: Brethren John Dillon, Hackett Dillon, L. B. Hawkins, Sisters Joan Dillon, Lelia Dillon, Margaret Hawkins, and Bonnie Bender

8—Appoint messengers to visit corresponding associations as follows:

ORIGINAL LITTLE RIVER OF NORTH CAROLINA: Elder D. B. Willard and anyone who can attend

ORIGINAL TOWALIGA: (1st week-end Sept.—Forest Church) Elder Joe Helms and Brother Carl Haigler

LITTLE RIVER OF GEORGIA: (3rd week-end Aug.) Elders F. W. Stack and Newell Helms, Brethren Oren Baucom and Carl Haigler

FRIENDSHIP OF GEORGIA: (2nd week-end—Sept.) Elders Charles Smith and Roy Spier

TENNESSEE-NOLACHUCKY: (2nd week-end Sept.) Brethren Titus Tarlton, Bobby Helms, and Earl Crook

POWELLS VALLEY: (3rd week-end Aug.) Elder Roy Spier and Brother C. C. Willard

MT. ZION OF ALABAMA: (2nd week-end Sept.) Elders H. L. Poplin, Newell Helms, F. W. Stack, Brethren Joe Baucom, Edward Pressley

SOUTH ARKANSAS: (3rd week-end Sept.) Minutes and and visitors if anyone can attend.

9—Unanimously agreed to continue correspondence with all associations with whom we now correspond.

10—Elder A. E. Broadway was unanimously appointed to write the Corresponding Letter to be approved Saturday morning.

11—Unanimously agreed to adjourn until Saturday morning at nine o'clock. (Meeting to continue at Unionville School)

Benediction by Elder Guy Hunt

SATURDAY, September 15, 1973

The Association met pursuant to adjournment in the Unionville School Gymnasium at nine o'clock A.M. After songs of praise and prayer by Elder Wiley Sammons the Association continued with business as follows:

12—Acknowledged visitors from corresponding associations and non-corresponding associations and churches who have arrived since the Friday session and listed their names under Items 6 and 7.

13—Called for report from Finance Committee:

Received from churches	$1,563.00
Received from friends	421.00
Total	$1,984.00

14—Unanimously agreed to distribute minutes from corresponding associations as usual.

15—Called for Corresponding Letter which was read and approved and ordered inscribed in the Minute.

Extended invitation for churches of the Association to request fifth Sunday meetings and unanimously granted the following:

SEPTEMBER, 1973—Meadow Creek Church
DECEMBER, 1973—High Point Church
MARCH, 1974—Jerusalem Church
JUNE, 1974—Bethel Church

17—Unanimously agreed to hold the next session ot the Association with Mountain Creek Church beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in September, 1974, and that the

pastor of that church deliver the introductory sermon, by move, second, and vote.

18—Unanimously agreed to have 1400 copies of the minute printed and distributed to the churches and associations as usual, and that Brother Oren Baucom superintend same.

19—Unanimously agreed to distribute all funds above that allowed in Item 18 to ministers present, and any other associational expenses the Finance Committee may deem expedient.

20—Unanimously agreed by standing vote that we return thanks to God for His mercy, and to the members and friends of Union Grove Church and Community for help in every way during this meeting. We also wish to thank the principal, Mr. Fred High, and Unionville Elementary School, the School custodian, and the scouts of Troop 169 who did an excellent job parking cars, and all others who contributed to our welfare and comfort. May God richly bless you all.

21—Unanimously agreed to adjourn to time and place designated in Item 17 after reading the Minute.

Benediction by Elder Roy Spier

ELDER C. M. MILLS, MODERATOR

BROTHER OREN BAUCOM, CLERK

BROTHER KENNETH AUSTIN, ASST. CLERK

FINANCIAL REPORT

Received from the churches	$1,563.00
Received from friends	421.00
Total	$1,984.00

Disbursements:

Expense of printing, mailing, and distribution of minutes and all other clerks expense	$ 400.00
Ministers and miscellaneous expenses	1,584.00
Total	$1,984.00

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday Morning:

Elder C. M. Mills, Romans 14:17

Friday Afternoon:

Elder James Compton
Elder Samuel Bryant

Friday Night:

Elder A. J. Hylton, Col. 1:12-13
Elder Ronald Lawrence, Col. 3:16-17
Elder Walter Evans, Philippians 2:6

Saturday Morning:

Elder George McNure, Heb. 2:9
Elder Danny Parker, Col. 3:1-4
Elder J. S. Stephenson, John 5:23-24

Saturday Afternoon:

Elder J. E. Alderton, Luke 1
Elder A. L. Beckett, 1st Tim. 4:16
Elder Worth Stephenson, Matt. 1:21
Elder Guy Hunt, Psm. 16:6

Saturday Night:(Union Grove)

Elder T. C. Mooney, Rom. 8:28-33
Elder Wiley Sammons, Eph. 1:1-12

Saturday Night:(Liberty Hill)

Elder W. H. Lewis
Elder Walter Evans

Saturday Night: (Pleasant Grove)

Elder Gene Watson
Elder L. J. Corns
Elder O. J. Huffman

Sunday Morning:

Elder Brice Haigler, Matt. 11:4-6
Elder Wiley Sammons, Eccl. 3-14
Elder Walter Evans, Gen. 47:8
Elder Charles Smith

HOME MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, AND PHONE NUMBERS

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Mills, C. M., 3130 Central Ave., Charlotte, N. C. 28205 537-9510
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Poplin, H. L., Route 2, Albemarle, N. C. 28001 982-3589
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Smith, Charles L. 1105 Concord Ave., Monroe, N. C. 28110 289-1697
Stack, F. W. Jr., Box 713, Monroe, N. C. 28110 283-8480
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Watts, E. B., P. O. Box 171, Locust, N. C. 28097 888-4464
Willard, B. D., Route 6, Winston-Salem, N. C. 27107 769-2058
Willard, V. V., Route 2, High Point, N. C. 27260 869-5078

Licentiates:

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Styers, Richard, T., Box 503 Kings Mountain, N. C. 28086
Willard, F. C., 2437 Marble St., Winston-Salem, N. C. 27107

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J. S. Stephenson, 1008 Stuart St., Fuquay-Varina, N. C.
Worth Stephenson, 903 Stuart St., Fuquay-Varina, N. C.
L. J. Corns, P. O. Box 63, Patrick Springs, Virginia 24133
W. H. Lewis, Keeling, Virginia
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O. J. Huffman, P. O. Box 1776, Asheville, N. C. 28802
Lloyd E. Parker, Chatsworth, Georgia
J. E. Alderton, 3824 Wendy Lane, Silver Springs, Md. 20906
Samuel Bryant, Route 3, Statesboro, Ga. 30458
Danny Parker, 145 Arnett Blvd., Sherwood Apt. D-9, Danville, Va. 24541
A. J. Hylton, Route 3, Willis, Va. 24380
George McNure, P. O. Box 762, Swainsboro, Ga., 30401
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Lic. Seba Clifton, Route 3, Benson, N. C.

CORRESPONDING LETTER

Greetings to the Original Bear Creek Primitive Baptist Association, together with corresponding associations and the faithful in Christ Jesus:

Once again by the tender mercy of the God of all the earth, granted the wonderful privilege to meet together in an associated capacity, to join our voices together, we trust, in thanksgiving and praise to Almighty God for His favors of grace and tender mercies and by His divine spirit, enabling the children of God to worship the true and living God.

We want to welcome all of our visitors and friends that have come to be with us in this meeting. We trust to pray the blessings of our Lord to be upon all the people of God everywhere. May God be thanked for the love and fellowship that is shown among the brethren and sisters in this meeting. May this love and peace continue among the brethren everywhere.

Submitted in love,

Elder A. E. Broadway

CLERKS AND ADDRESSES

BETHEL: M. D. Anderson, Shalotte, N.C. 28459

CORINTH: Marvin Styers, 607 Clay St., Kings Mountain, N. C. 28086

CROOKED CREEK: W. T. Broadway, Route 1, Indian Trail, N. C. 28079

HERRINS GROVE: J. L. Lewis, Route 1, Mt. Pleasant, N. C. 28124

HIGH HILL: Larry Austin, Route 2, Monroe, N.C. 28110

HIGH POINT: H. M. Willard, Route 5, Winston-Salem, N. C. 27107

JERUSALEM: Fred Baucom, Route 2, Marshville, N. C. 28103

LAWYER'S SPRING: Tommy Horne, Peachland, N. C. 28133

LIBERTY HILL: Reece Eury, Route 1, Oakboro, N. C. 28129

MEADOW CREEK: Fred Eudy, Route 1, Box 109, Mt. Pleasant, N. C. 28124

MILLS CHAPEL: Wayne Efird, Route 1, Box 72, Rockwell, N. C. 28128

MOUNTAIN CREEK: Artis Medlin, Route 5, Box 434, Albemarle, N. C. 28001

NEW HOPE: W. W. Davis, Route 2, Hopkins, S. C. 29061

OAK GROVE: Mrs. Gertrude Griggs, Route 1, Chesterfield, S. C. 29707

PARK VIEW: C. L. Parnell, 4244 Glen High Road, Winston-Salem, N. C. 27107

PLEASANT GROVE: T B. Curlee, Route 3, Marshville, N. C. 28103

PLEASANT HILL: Barry M. Cote, Route 4, Box 286, Asheboro, N. C. 27203

UNION: V. H. Solomon, Route 2, Box 474, Gastonia, N. C. 28052

UNION GROVE: Oren N. Baucom, 4133 Seaforth Drive, Charlotte, N. C. 28205

WATSON: T. L. Simpson, Route 12, Box 327 A-1, Charlotte, N. C. 28212

IN MEMORIAM

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints". Psalms 116:15 . . . We pause in sweet memory of the following dear ones who have passed away since our last association.

UNION GROVE:	Brother John Barbee Sister Sarah Jane Medlin
MOUNTAIN CREEK:	Brother Will Vanhoy
LAWYER'S SPRING:	Sister Mattie Thomas Sister Mary Marsh
CROOKED CREEK:	Sister Julia Hargett
HIGH POINT:	Brother and Sister Fred Hegecock Brother Alonzo Martin
MEADOW CREEK:	Deacon Winfred Simpson Sister Sophie Tucker
HIGH HILL:	Sister Lila Mills
LIBERTY HILL:	Brother Wm. Henry Poplin
PLEASANT GROVE:	Brother George Griffin
HERRINS GROVE:	Deacon J. R. Almond
JERUSALEM:	Sister Rossie Helms
UNION:	Sister Mary Jane Abernathy

BETHEL: 2nd Sunday Morning, Saturday Night before – Elder Benton 4th Sunday Morning, Saturday Night before – Pastor

CORINTH: lst Sunday Afternoon, 3rd Sunday Afternoon, Saturday Night before – Pastor

CROOKED CREEK: 4th Sunday Morning, Saturday Night before – Pastor

HERRINS GROVE: 4th Sunday Afternoon, Saturday Night before – Pastor

HIGH HILL: lst Sunday Morning, Saturday Night before, Pastor, 3rd Sunday Morning – Elder Smith

HIGH POINT: 2nd Sunday Morning, 4th Sunday morning and Saturday night before – Pastor

JERUSALEM: 2nd Sunday Morning, Saturday Afternoon before – Pastor

LAWYER'S SPRING: lst Sunday Morning, Saturday Night before – Pastor, 3rd Sunday Morning – Elder J. Helms

LIBERTY HILL: 2nd Sunday Morning – Elder Smith, lst Sunday Afternoon, Saturday Night before – Pastor

MEADOW CREEK: lst Sunday Morning, Saturday Afternoon before – Pastor, 3rd Sunday Morning – Elder N. Helms

MILL'S CHAPEL: 2nd Sunday Morning, Saturday Night before – Pastor, 4th Sunday Morning – Elder Kerley

MOUNTAIN CREEK: 3rd Sunday Morning, Saturday Afternoon before – Pastor

NEW HOPE: 2nd Sunday Morning – Elder Rom Kerley 4th Sunday Morning, Saturday Night before – Pastor

OAK GROVE: 2nd Morning, Saturday Night before, 4th Sunday Morning – Pastor

PARK VIEW: lst Sunday Night, 3rd Sunday Morning, Saturday Night before – Pastor

PLEASANT GROVE: 2nd Sunday Afternoon, Saturday Afternoon before – Pastor, 3rd Sunday Morning– Elder Rom Kerley

PLEASANT HILL: 3rd Sunday Morning, Saturday Night before 1st Sunday P.M.

UNION: lst Sunday Morning, Saturday Night before, 3rd Sunday Morning – Pastor

UNION GROVE: 2nd Sunday Morning, Saturday Night before – Pastors, 4th Sunday Morning – Elder Smith

WATSON: 4th Sunday Morning, Saturday Night before

RULES GOVERNING THE ORIGINAL BEAR CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1. We understand that at whatever Church this Association is being held, it is under the authority of the Hostess Church, as any other regular or monthly conference meeting, in which the Church invites the Ministers and Messengers of the sister churches to seats, and take part with them.

2. The officers of that Church shall be the officers of the Association, provided the Pastor is a member of the Association, and if not, the Church shall elect any member of the Association to preside as Moderator. The Church may request the help of any member of another sister Church to assist in the business transactions of the Association.

3. This Association shall have no authority to pass upon any question of a disciplinary nature except it has been passed upon by the local churches composing this Association; then the work of the churches shall be recognized by the Association.

4. Any member who endeavors to bring in or inject a disciplinary question that involves fellowship, before it has been passed upon by the local churches, shall be considered out of order by the church with which the Association is being held, and by the messengers present from the sister churches.

5. The Association shall be conducted for the purpose of associating together in song, prayer, and preaching service. The Finance Committee shall disburse the funds on hand, as the Association shall so direct. The Body may receive corresponding messengers and visitors from sister associations, and may appoint messengers and visitors to keep up a correspondence with sister associations. No other business shall be transacted by the Association, except that which is necessary to set forth the status of each Church composing this Association in the form of a minute.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

Article 1. We believe in one living and true God, the Father, the Word and the Holy Ghost.

Article 2. We believe in the man Jesus being the first of all God's creation and the pattern of all God's perfection in nature, grace and glory, and in relative union with the Divine Word, and thus united with the whole Trinity.

Article 3. We believe that the scripture of the King James Version of the Old and New Testaments contain the only written, revealed word of God and the perfect rule of faith and practice for God's Church in her militant state while here on earth.

Article 4. We believe in the doctrine of election; that God chose His Church in Christ Jesus before the world began.

Article 5. We believe in all mankind's apostacy by transgression in Adam, the federal head.

Article 6. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

Article 7. We believe in the impotency of man to recover himself from his fallen state by his own free will and ability.

Article 8. We believe that sinners are justified freely by grace and before God by faith in Christ and His righteousness only.

Article 9. We believe that God's elect or Church shall be called, converted, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Spirit in due time.

Article 10. We believe that the saints shall persevere in grace and never really fall away.

Article 11. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Christ's appointment, and that believers alone are the subjects of baptism and the only proper communicants of the Supper; that the mode of baptism is immersion, and that neither of the ordinances is to be altered or changed by the inventions or opinions of men. We believe in feet washing as taught by our Savior in St. John 13:4-17.

Article 12. We believe that no man, as a minister, has any right to the administration of any of the ordinances of the gospel except such as are sound in the faith of the gospel, regularly baptized, called of God and have come under the imposition of hands by a regular presbytery.

Article 13. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both the just and the unjust, and a general judgment.

Article 14. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous eternal.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Communion Sundays	Rec'd by Baptism	Rec'd by Relation	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Dis'd by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Membership	Contributions
Mountain Creek	Elder C. M. Mills, Elder H. L. Poplin	3rd July	8		3				1	85	$ 108.00
Lawyer's Spring	Elder V. V. Willard, Elder Joe C. Helms	1st Aug.	1						2	77	80.00
Crooked Creek	Elder A. E. Broadway	4th July	3						1	54	60.00
High Point	Elder V. V. Willard, Elder Roy Spier	4th May 4th Aug.	4						3	160	175.00
Meadow Creek	Elder C. M. Mills, Elder Charles Smith	1st June	1		2				2	70	118.00
Watson	Elder D. B. Willard der Charles Smith	4th May	3							39	45.00
Pleasant Hill	Elder V. V. Willard, Elder Roy Spier	3rd June								51	77.00
High Hill	Elder Newell Helms	1st Sept.							1	91	90.00
Park View	Elder D. B. Willard	3rd May						1		55	65.00
Liberty Hill	Elder C. M. Mills, Elder Charles Smith	1st July	2				3		1	103	125.00
Pleasant Grove	Elder Joe C. Helms, Elder C. M. Mills	2nd July							1	52	80.00
Union Grove	Elder C. M. Mills, Elder Newell Helms	2nd Aug.	3				1	1	2	205	200.00
Bethel	Elder Newell Helms		1			1		2		78	90.00
Corinth	Elder E. H. Simpson	3rd May	1							18	25.00
Herrins Grove	Elder Rom Kerley	4th June						1	1	24	40.00
Jerusalem	Elder A. E. Broadway	2nd Aug.	2						1	15	40.00
Mills Chapel	Elder D. B. Willard	2nd June	1					1		60	60.00
New Hope	Elder Joe C. Helms	4th Aug.	1		1					10	25.00
Oak Grove	Elder F. W. Stack, Jr.									7	10.00
Union	Elder E. H. Simpson	1st May							1	40	50.00
	Totals		31		6	1	4	6	17	1294	1,563.00